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NOT VOTING-10

Foglietta Lazio Shaw Young (AK) Forbes Ortiz Gonzalez Riley Schiff

So the resolution was agreed to. A motion to reconsider the vote whereby said resolution was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the

¶90.8 WAIVING POINTS OF ORDER AGAINST CONFERENCE REPORT TO ACCOMPANY H.R. 2015

Mr. SOLOMON, by direction of the Committee on Rules, reported (Rept. No. 105-218) the resolution (H. Res. 202) waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 2015) to provide for reconciliation pursuant to subsections (b)(1) and (c) of section 105 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year

When said resolution and report were referred to the House Calendar and ordered printed.

¶90.9 WAIVING POINTS OF ORDER AGAINST CONFERENCE REPORT TO ACCOMPANY H.R. 2015

Mr. SOLOMON, by direction of the Committee on Rules, called up the following resolution (H. Res. 202)

Resolved, That upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 2015) to provide for reconciliation pursuant to subsections (b)(1) and (c) of section 105 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1998. All points of order against the conference report and against its consideration are waived. The conference report shall be considered as read. The conference report shall be debatable for ninety minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Budget.

When said resolution was considered. After debate.

Mr. SOLOMON moved the previous question on the resolution to its adoption or rejection.

The question being put, viva voce, Will the House now order the previous question?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BOEHNER, announced that the yeas

Mr. MOAKLEY objected to the vote on the ground that a quorum was not present and not voting.

A quorum not being present,

The roll was called under clause 4, rule XV, and the call was taken by electronic device.

Yeas 226 When there appeared Navs

90.10[Roll No. 343] YEAS-226

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NOT VOTING-11

McIntosh Blagoje vichForbes Gonzalez Bryant Schiff Houghton Young (AK) Foglietta McCollum

So the previous question on the resolution was ordered.

The question being put, viva voce, Will the House agree to said resolu-

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BOEHNER, announced that the yeas had it.

So the resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby said resolution was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

90.11 Providing for the CONSIDERATION OF A JOINT RESOLUTION WAIVING ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS

Mr. GOSS, by direction of the Committee on Rules, reported (Rept. No. 105-219) the resolution (H. Res. 203) providing for consideration of a joint resolution waiving certain enrollment requirements with respect to two specified bills of the One Hundred Fifth Con-

When said resolution and report were referred to the House Calendar and ordered printed.

¶90.12 FURTHER MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A further message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed with an amendment in which the concurrence of the House is requested, a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 408. An Act to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to support the International Dolphin Conservation Program in the eastern tropical Pacific Ocean, and for other purposes.

¶90.13 BUDGET RECONCILIATION

Mr. KASICH, pursuant to House Resolution 202, called up the following conference report (Rept. No. 105-217):

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2015), to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 104(a) of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1998, having met, after full and free conference, have agreed to recommend and do recommend to their respective Houses as follows:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment, insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Balanced Budget Act of 1997''

SEC. 2. TABLE OF TITLES.

This Act is organized into titles as follows: Title I—Food Stamp Provisions Title II—Housing and Related Provisions

Title III—Communications and Spectrum Allocation Provisions

Title IV-Medicare, Medicaid, and Children's

Health Provisions Title V-Welfare and Related Provisions Title VI—Education and Related Provisions

Title VII-Civil Service Retirement and Related Provisions

Title VIII-Veterans and Related Provisions Title IX-Asset Sales, User Fees, and Miscellaneous Provisions

Title X-Budget Enforcement and Process Provisions

Title XI-District of Columbia Revitalization

TITLE I—FOOD STAMP PROVISIONS SEC. 1001. EXEMPTION.

Section 6(o) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2015(o)) is amended-

(1) in paragraph (2)(D), by striking "or (5)" and inserting "(5), or (6)";

(2) by redesignating paragraph (6) as paragraph (7); and

(3) by inserting after paragraph (5) the following:

(6) 15-PERCENT EXEMPTION.—

``(A) Definitions.—In this paragraph:

"(i) CASELOAD.—The term 'caseload' means the average monthly number of individuals receiving food stamps during the 12-month period ending the preceding June 30.

(ii) COVERED INDIVIDUAL.—The term 'covered individual' means a food stamp recipient, or an individual denied eligibility for food stamp benefits solely due to paragraph (2), who-

"(I) is not eligible for an exception under paragraph (3);

"(II) does not reside in an area covered by a waiver granted under paragraph (4);

'(III) is not complying with subparagraph (A), (B), or (C) of paragraph (2);

(IV) is not receiving food stamp benefits during the 3 months of eligibility provided under paragraph (2); and

"(V) is not receiving food stamp benefits under paragraph (5).

"(B) GENERAL RULE.—Subject to subparagraphs (C) through (G), a State agency may provide an exemption from the requirements of paragraph (2) for covered individuals.

(C) FISCAL YEAR 1998.—Subject to subparagraphs (E) and (G), for fiscal year 1998, a State agency may provide a number of exemptions such that the average monthly number of the exemptions in effect during the fiscal year does not exceed 15 percent of the number of covered individuals in the State in fiscal year 1998, as estimated by the Secretary, based on the survey conducted to carry out section 16(c) for fiscal year 1996 and such other factors as the Secretary considers appropriate due to the timing and limitations of the survey.

"(D) SUBSEQUENT FISCAL YEARS.—Subject

to subparagraphs (E) through (G), for fiscal year 1999 and each subsequent fiscal year, a State agency may provide a number of exemptions such that the average monthly number of the exemptions in effect during the fiscal year does not exceed 15 percent of the number of covered individuals in the State, as estimated by the Secretary under subparagraph (C), adjusted by the Secretary to reflect changes in the State's caseload and the Secretary's estimate of changes in the proportion of food stamp recipients covered by waivers granted under paragraph (4).

"(E) CASELOAD ADJUSTMENTS.—The Secretary shall adjust the number of individuals estimated for a State under subparagraph (C) or (D) during a fiscal year if the number of food stamp recipients in the State varies from the State's caseload by more than 10 percent, as determined by the Secretary.

(F) EXEMPTION ADJUSTMENTS.—During fiscal year 1999 and each subsequent fiscal year, the Secretary shall increase or decrease the number of individuals who may be granted an exemption by a State agency under this paragraph to the extent that the average monthly number of exemptions in effect in the State for the preceding fiscal year under this paragraph is lesser or greater than the average monthly number of exemptions estimated for the State agency for such preceding fiscal year under this paragraph.

'(G) REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—A State agency shall submit such reports to the Secretary as the Secretary determines are necessary to ensure compliance with this paragraph.".

SEC. 1002. ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR EMPLOY-MENT AND TRAINING.

- (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 16(h) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2025(h)) is amended by striking paragraph (1) and inserting the following:
 - (1) IN GENERAL.-
- "(A) AMOUNTS.—To carry out employment and training programs, the Secretary shall reserve for allocation to State agencies, to remain available until expended, from funds made available for each fiscal year under section 18(a)(1) the amount of-
 - "(i) for fiscal year 1996, \$75,000,000; "(ii) for fiscal year 1997, \$79,000,000;

 - "(iii) for fiscal year 1998—
 - "(I) \$81,000,000; and
 - "(II) an additional amount of \$131,000,000;
 - "(iv) for fiscal year 1999-
 - "(I) \$84,000,000; and
- "(II) an additional amount of \$131,000,000;
- "(v) for fiscal year 2000-
- "(I) \$86,000,000; and
- "(II) an additional amount of \$131,000,000;
- "(vi) for fiscal year 2001-
- "(I) \$88,000,000; and
- "(II) an additional amount of \$131,000,000;
 - "(vii) for fiscal year 2002—
 - "(I) \$90,000,000; and
 - "(II) an additional amount of \$75,000,000.
 - "(B) ALLOCATION.-
- "(i) ALLOCATION FORMULA.—The Secretary shall allocate the amounts reserved under subparagraph (A) among the State agencies using a reasonable formula, as determined and adjusted by the Secretary each fiscal year, to reflect-
- '(I) changes in each State's caseload (as defined in section 6(0)(6)(A);
- '(II) for fiscal year 1998, the portion of food stamp recipients who reside in each State who are not eligible for an exception under section 6(o)(3): and
- '(III) for each of fiscal years 1999 through 2002, the portion of food stamp recipients who reside in each State who are not eligible for an exception under section 6(o)(3) and
- "(aa) do not reside in an area subject to a waiver granted by the Secretary under section 6(0)(4); or
- '(bb) do reside in an area subject to a waiver granted by the Secretary under section 6(o)(4), if the State agency provides employment and training services in the area to food stamp recipients who are not eligible for an exception under section 6(0)(3).
- "(ii) ESTIMATED FACTORS.—The Secretary shall estimate the portion of food stamp recipients who reside in each State who are not eligible for an exception under section 6(o)(3) based on the survey conducted to carry out subsection (c) for fiscal year 1996 and such other factors as the Secretary considers appropriate due to the timing and limitations of the survey.
- "(iii) REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—A State agency shall submit such reports to the Secretary as the Secretary determines are necessary to ensure compliance with this paragraph.
- "(C) REALLOCATION.—If a State agency will not expend all of the funds allocated to the